

Romans 12:1

-How Now Shall We Live?

-Psalms 51:14-17 (LSB) 14 Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, the God of my salvation; Then my tongue will joyfully sing of Your righteousness. 15 O Lord, open my lips, That my mouth may declare Your praise. 16 For You do not delight in sacrifice, otherwise I would give it; You are not pleased with burnt offering. 17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; A broken and a contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.

-1 Samuel 15:22 (LSB) And Samuel said, “Has Yahweh as much delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices As in obeying the voice of Yahweh?

Behold, *to obey is better than sacrifice, And to heed than the fat of rams.*

-Romans 1:16-17 (LSB) 16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. 17 For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, “**BUT THE RIGHTEOUS WILL LIVE BY FAITH.**”

-Romans 1:20 (LSB) For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, both His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.

**-Romans 1:24 (LSB) Therefore God
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-Romans 1:24-28 (LSB) 24 Therefore God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, so that their bodies would be dishonored among them. 25 For they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen. 26 For this reason God gave them over to dishonorable passions; for their females exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, 27 and in the same way also the males abandoned the natural function of the female and burned in their desire toward one another, males with males committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error. 28 And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge God, God gave them over to an unfit mind, to do those things which are not proper,

-Romans 2:9-12 (LSB) 9 There will be affliction and turmoil for every soul of man who works out evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek, 10 but glory and honor and peace to everyone who works good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. 11 For there is no partiality with God. 12 For all who have sinned without the Law will also perish without the Law, and all who have sinned under the Law will be judged by the Law.

-Romans 3:9-12 (LSB) 9 What then? Are we better? Not at all; for we have already charged that both Jews and Greeks are all under sin; 10 as it is written, “THERE IS NONE RIGHTEOUS, NOT EVEN ONE; 11 THERE IS NONE WHO UNDERSTANDS, THERE IS NONE WHO SEEKS FOR GOD; 12 ALL HAVE TURNED ASIDE, TOGETHER THEY HAVE BECOME WORTHLESS; THERE IS NONE WHO DOES GOOD, THERE IS NOT EVEN ONE.”

**-Romans 3:23 (LSB) for all have
sinned and fall short of the glory of
God,**

-Romans 3:23-26 (LSB) 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; 25 whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith, for a demonstration of His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed; 26 for the demonstration of His righteousness at the present time, so that He would be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

-Romans 3:28 (LSB) For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from works of the Law.

-Romans 4:3 (LSB) For what does the Scripture say? “ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS COUNTED TO HIM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS.”

-Romans 4:23-25 (LSB) 23 Now not for his sake only was it written THAT IT WAS COUNTED TO HIM, 24 but for our sake also, to whom it will be counted, as those who believe upon Him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, 25 He who was delivered over on account of our transgressions, and was raised on account of our justification.

-Romans 5:1,6,8 (LSB) Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ...6 For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly...8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

-Romans 5:10 (LSB) For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

**-Romans 6:23 (LSB) For the wages of sin is death, but the gracious gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus
our Lord.**

-Romans 7:24-25 (LSB) 24 Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from the body of this death? 25 Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, on the one hand I myself with my mind am serving the law of God, but on the other, with my flesh the law of sin.

-Romans 8:1 (LSB) Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

**-Romans 8:18 (LSB) For I consider
that the sufferings of this present
time are not worthy to be compared
with the glory that is to be revealed
to us.**

-Romans 8:28-30 (LSB) 28 And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose. 29 Because those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brothers; 30 and those whom He predestined, (these) He also called; and those whom He called, (these) He also justified; and those whom He justified, (these) He also glorified.

**-Ephesians 2:1 (LSB) And you were
dead in your transgressions and
sins,**

**-Ephesians 2:4-5 (LSB) 4 But God,
being rich in mercy because of His
great love with which He loved us, 5
even when we were dead in our
transgressions, made us alive
together with Christ--by grace you
have been saved--**

-Romans 6:12-13 (LSB) 12 Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its lusts, 13 and do not go on presenting your members to sin as instruments of unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God.

-“How can a body become a sacrifice? Let the eye look on no evil, and it is a sacrifice. Let the tongue utter nothing base, and it is an offering. Let the hand work no sin, and it is a holocaust (whole burnt offering). But more, this suffices not, but besides we must actively exert ourselves for good; the hand giving alms, the mouth blessing them that curse us, the ear ever at leisure for listening to God.”—John Chrysostom

-Philippians 2:12-13 (LSB) 12 So then, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your salvation with fear and trembling; 13 for it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure.

**-BDAG = “pertaining to being
carefully thought through.”**

**-Darby's and Young's Literal
Translation: "which is your
intelligent service."**

-Deuteronomy 10:12-13 (LSB) 12 “So now, Israel, what does Yahweh your God ask from you, but to fear Yahweh your God, to walk in all His ways and love Him, and to serve Yahweh your God with all your heart and with all your soul, 13 and to keep the commandments of Yahweh and His statutes which I am commanding you today for your good?